

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, RALEIGH, NORTH CAROLINA, 1816-1941

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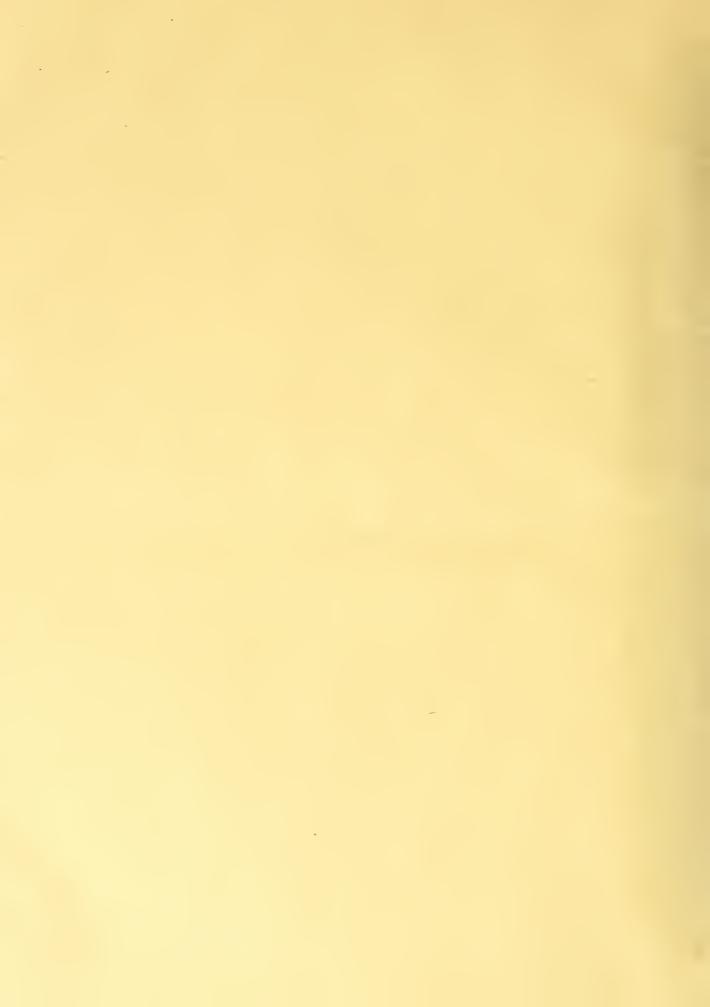


One Hundred Twenty-Fifth Anniversary



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This booklet is not a history of the church and does not even attempt to deal with all the pastorates. It is only a brief statement of some of the outstanding accomplishments here through the years.

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HE First Presbyterian Church of Raleigh was organized January 21, 1816, in the old State House with Rev. William McPheeters, D.D., as Pastor.

The first public discourse delivered by a Presbyterian Minister in Raleigh was a funeral sermon preached in the State House December 17, 1799, by Rev.

Joseph Caldwell, D.D., first President of the University of North Carolina. The earliest of our Presbyterian Ministers to live in Raleigh were, like Dr. Caldwell, engaged in The Raleigh Academy was established by the 1802 Legislature and granted the public square then known as Burke's Garden, present site of the Governor's Mansion. The original building was erected and formally opened June 25, 1804. The first Presbyterian Minister to make an impress on the life of Raleigh was Rev. William Leftwich Turner of Bedford City, Virginia, who had been teaching in Washington Academy, Lexington, Virginia, and was called here in 1806 by the Trustees of this new school to become "Principal of the Academy and Pastor of the City." Under this arrangement Mr. Turner taught in the school, preached each Sunday in the State House and served as Pastor of the community without respect to any denominational lines. Ministers of other denominations were welcomed and invited to preach when they came this way, but he seems to have been the resident pastor of all alike and to have continued to serve in that capacity until his removal in 1809 to the then larger field of Fayetteville. It was upon the departure of Mr. Turner that the Trustees invited William McPheeters of Augusta County, Virginia, to assume the leadership of the then thriving young school in Raleigh.

Organization and Original Building

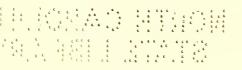
DR. WILLIAM MCPHEETERS



Rev. William McPheeters, D.D. 1816-1830

Dr. McPheeters was a remarkable man in many respects. He had his classical education at Liberty Hall Academy, Lexington, Virginia, and set out to study medicine under the guidance of his brother, Dr. Joseph McPheeters, who was practicing in Kentucky. There Dr. McPheeters united with the church and soon after resolved to return to Virginia and prepare for the ministry. He was licensed to preach at New Providence Church near Stannton in 1802 and had, therefore, been actively engaged in the Gospel Ministry for eight years before he was called to Raleigh in June 1810 to become "Principal of the Academy and Pastor of the City." This thirty-two year old Presbyterian Minister remained here the rest of his long life and what he was and did left a permanent impress on the growing youthful capital of North Carolina.

No minutes of the organization meeting of this Church have come down to us, but from published accounts it is known to have taken place, Sunday, January 21, 1816, in



the old State House on the present Capitol Square where Dr. MePheeters held regular religious services for the community. It appears from the record that other denominational groups were being organized into Churches about the same date and our own may not have been the first. The Officers and Charter Members are listed here, though no reference is made at that time to Deaeons. Though special arrangements for Negroes were made then in all churches, it appears that there was only one among the original members here. She was either a slave or one who had been freed and was living in this community. It will be noted that in this list of charter members that the women outnumber the men by approximately three to one.

Pastor Rev. William McPheeters, D.D.

ELDERS

Thomas Emonds William Peace John Smith William Shaw



THE ORIGINAL CHURCH BUILDING 1818-1898

Members

Mary Birch
Sarah Birch
Hannah Calhoun
Margaret Capa
Mary Fairis
Stephen Frontis
Rebecca Goodwin
Robert Harrison

Thisbie Higbie
Elizabeth Hinton
John Hinton
Elizabeth Langley
Martha Marshall
Margaret McPhecters
Susanna D. Nye
Amanda S. Nye

Martha Peck
Henry Potter
S. M. Potter
Sylvia Potter
Ruth - Edmond - Rabeteau*
Benjamin Rouseville
Nancy Holmes (Woman
of color)

In addition to the above names, these were listed as "Oceasional Members":

Dorcas J. Alexander

Mary Alexander

S. Saunders

Sarah Saunders

Alfred Wright

It has been stated in years gone by that this church was organized under Rev. W. L. Turner in 1806, but that is now known to be a mistake. Mr. Turner arrived here about November 10, 1806 and it is not possible that he began the church that year. Doubtless the time of his arrival was mistaken by someone as the date of organization.

^{*} Written thus in the records and not now known whether one, two, or three persons indicated,

The corner stone of the original building on this site was laid in 1817 and the Church dedicated February 7, 1818, with Dr. McPheeters assisted in the services by Rev. John Witherspoon of Hillsboro and Rev. Jessee H. Turner of Fayetteville. That afternoon the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper was administered and the first child, Margaret McPheeters, was baptized. That first building cost about \$17,000 and was paid for by the sale of pews at public auction. Pew prices at this auction ranged from \$125 to \$590, according to situation, and each purchaser received a deed which gave him legal possession with full right to will, sell, or trade the pew as any other piece of property. Questions of policy at first seem to have been decided by the pew owners as a society wherein each was entitled to cast one vote for every \$50 worth of pew or pews held by him.

This original building stood for nearly eighty years and because of its size and central location was long the common meeting place of all Christians in Raleigh. Here was held the annual Fourth of July Sunrise service and thither came the Raleigh Academy for public exercises and the awarding of annual prizes. Here in the old Session House located on the Salisbury Street side of the lot, the North Carolina Supreme Court sat from 1831, when the old State House burned, until 1840 when the present Capitol was completed. Here in the Church were held the sessions of the 1835 Constitutional Convention, which among other important actions, for the first time happily removed political disabilities from Roman Catholics in North Carolina. The Lecture Room, or Session House, was creeted beside the church in 1825 and stood until both gave way to the present structure about the turn of the century.

During its history the First Presbyterian Church of Raleigh has been a member of the following Presbyteries: Orange, 1816-1836; Roanoke, 1836-1839; Orange, 1840-1891; Albemarle, 1891-1924; Granville, 1924 to date.

Gift of the First Manse

Dr. Drury Lacy



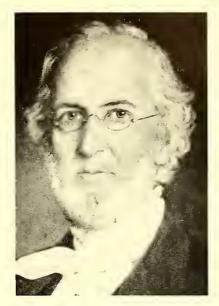
THE OLD STATE HOUSE Church Organized Here — 1816

The next notable pastorate here after Dr. McPheeters was that of Rev. Drury Laey, D.D., who was installed November 25, 1837, at the age of thirty-five and remained here for over eighteen years. Dr. Lacy, son of an eminent minister, was born in Prinee Edward County, Virginia, educated at Hampden Sidney College and Union Seminary. He was Pastor at New Bern before coming to this Church, and resigned here to become President of the then young and struggling Davidson College.

It was during the early years

of Dr. Drury Lacy's pastorate that the Manse was presented to the Church. This splendid home at the corner of Dawson and West Hargett Streets was the gift of Mrs. Frances Pollock Devereaux. That elect lady was a descendant on her mother's side from Jonathan Edwards of New England fame. She lived during the early years of her married life in New Bern but had moved to Raleigh before the arrival of Dr. Lacy and lived here for many years. The Manse was deeded in 1843 and occupied thereafter by the Pastor until 1929 when it had become undesirable as a residence and was taken down in order that the property might be used for business purposes. Mrs. Devercaux's intention that a Manse should be provided for the Pastor has been carried out since the old house was removed through the crection by the congreation of a modern home in another location.

The old deed to this now valuable property must be one of the unique documents on file in Wake County. It reflects the strong character of this remarkable woman and reveals the



Rev. Drury Lacy, D.D. 1837-1855

vigorous Calvinism which was her faith. In the preamble to this will she set forth clearly that the property was to be used for the Minister's home so long as the Church took care that, "the doctrines of the Westminster Confession of Faith and of the Larger and Shorter Catechisms shall be taught in the pulpit," and as though that were not enough, she goes on to enumerate all the distinctive doctrines of Calvinism which she considered fundamental. Then to guarantee that these doctrines should be known to the ministry of the Church she provided the new house with a "Pastor's Library." Some of these volumes of a hundred years ago are still here and it is certain no one could call them light reading. On this anniversary occasion our Church delights to record its debt of gratitude to this noble woman and to all those of like spirit who have come after her, whether their gifts have been large or small.



THE FIRST MANSE 1843-1929

It has been noted often that our Southern people omit the Church in making their wills. This does not mean that our people love their Church less than others, but is probably due to the fact that so many feel what they could afford to leave is too little for any real value in the Kingdom of God. The ground Mrs. Devercaux gave was worth only a modest sum in 1843, but under the present twenty-five year lease it will produce for the service of God many times its original value. Our Churches and Christian Colleges need such consideration today.

Rev. J. M. Atkinson, D.D. 1855-1875

The Civil War and After

Dr. J. M. Atkinson

Dr. J. S. WATKINS

Rev. J. M. Atkinson, D.D., followed Dr. Drury Lacy in 1855 and found the Church in a thriving condition, though the terrible days of war were nearer than anyone imagined. Dr. Atkinson's pastorate continued for twenty years and it is remarkable to observe that through all those troubled times only one reference to the national political situation is made in the Sessional Records. That reference of April 17, 1865 is an action by Session offering the Church for religious services to be conducted by Presbyterian Chaplains of the Federal Army then occupying Raleigh. In spite of war, poverty, and political confusion the close of this pastorate in 1875 found the Church stronger and larger than when Dr. Atkinson came.

The most unhappy event in the history of Raleigh Presbyterianism occurred during the period now under review.

It had to do with the organization of a Second Presbyterian Church as the result of some sort of disagreement in the congregation. Only a small number of persons were involved but it led to Dr. Atkinson's resignation here, the formation of a Second Church, and his being called as pastor of this group. A building was erected at the corner of Blount and Polk Streets and Dr. Atkinson served as pastor from the organization in 1877 until he moved away in 1890. Shortly thereafter this Church was dissolved, the property sold, and the money used by Presbytery to erect a Church building at Kinston. This division, now so long forgotten, is recorded here only to be true to the record.

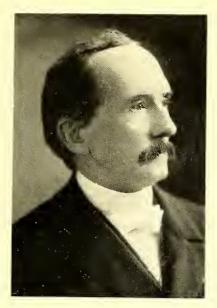
Upon Dr. Atkinson's resignation Rev. C. R. Vaughn, D.D., came here as Stated Supply and served the Church in this capacity from 1875 to 1878, when he resigned.

Rev. John S. Watkins, D.D., was then called to this pastorate and took up his work September 1878. He was the man appointed of God for such an hour in the life of this Church.

He remained for fourteen years and his quiet ministry was effective in doing what could never have been accomplished by argument or eloquence. A Second Church had little chance to grow under the circumstances and when it was discontinued Dr. Watkins led practically all the members back into the one fellowship. Other Churches were soon to be needed here but they were destined to be established in a

Session House or Lecture Room 1825-1898





Rev. John S. Watkins, D.D. 1878-1892

far happier spirit. When Dr. Watkins came the First Church of 199 members was suffering from the effects of this division. He left a membership of 343 and a Church so united that no one could ever imagine a division had taken place. This quiet man had so endeared himself to the community that it was only upon his second and urgent request that the congregation accepted his resignation. It is only when one considers the fine spirit of later colonization here that he can truly estimate the worth of Dr. Watkins to Raleigh Presbyterianism.

The Present Church Building

Dr. Eugene Daniels

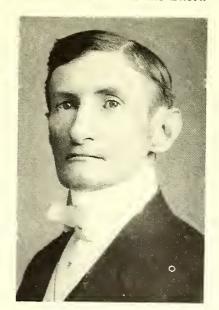
Rev. Eugene Daniels, D.D., came to this pastorate on Christmas Sunday, 1892, and remained for the next ten years, during which time the original building was removed and the present sanetuary erected.

Discussion of the need for a new building began in 1893 and the Congregation took final action on the matter September 15, 1895. The new corner stone was laid in 1898 and the building dedicated free of debt September 17, 1900. Thus in five years the congregation of 350 members built and furnished the Church as it now stands, at a cost approximating \$40,000. At the dedication services, Dr. Daniels presided, Rev. Walter W. Moore, D.D., of Union Seminary preached the sermon, Rev. W. M. McPheeters, D.D., of Columbia Seminary and grandson of the first Pastor, made the dedication prayer. In the afternoon the Sacra-

ment of the Lord's Supper was observed as it had been at the opening of the original building and the memorable day was closed with an evening sermon by Rev. John S. Watkins, D.D., who had served the Church immediately prior to Dr. Daniel's coming.

Among the memorials in this building it will be noted that the large window on Salisbury Street is a gift of the McPheeters family as a fitting memorial to the Church's first Pastor. Though the plan of the new structure departed drastically from all classical lines of Church architecture, it has served the congregation and the city well for these forty years, and, on this oceasion we are moved to thank God for the courage, resourcefulness, and generosity of those who made it possible.

Concerning the days immediately after the completion of this building, a former historian writes: "Thus with a thoroughly modern equipment, renewed consecration, and a



Rev. Eugene Daniel, D.D. 1893-1902

trustful spirit did the Church move forward to meet the challenege of enlarged opportunity presented by the new century. Nor were the signs of God's presence long delayed. During that fall and winter there were forty-one additions by letter and confession and sixty-eight during the winter of 1901-02, following a meeting under the direction of Rev. R. G. Pearson. This is a larger number of additions than for any two years in the previous history of the Church. For the first time, too, the report to Presbytery in April 1902, shows an annual contribution of more than \$2,000 for benevolences other than local."

Rev. Alfred H. Moment, D.D., was asked to supply the Church after Dr. Daniel's resignation and in 1904 was called to the pastorate. Dr. Moment was a Canadian by birth and had come South to seek relief from a throat ailment which was aggravated by the cold of his native land. He had but a brief pastorate here but it is generally agreed that he was the



Rev. Alfred H, Moment, D.D. 1903-1907

most eloquent preacher in the Synod of North Carolina in that period. He was a man of ripe scholarship, fine culture, and sweet Christian spirit. His influence was felt throughout this community and people of all creeds mourned his death which occurred October 5, 1907. From the standpoint of pulpit work Dr. Moment was probably the ablest man who ever served this Church.



Present Church Building Erected 1898

Expansion and New Sunday School Building

DR. WILLIAM McC. WHITE

The most notable pastorate of this Church began May 6, 1908, when Rev. William McC. White, D.D., came from the Second Presbyterian Church, Petersburg, Virginia, to begin a twenty-six year ministry in Raleigh and Wake County. Dr. White arrived here at the age



Rev. WILLIAM McC. WHITE, D.D. 1908-1934

of forty, already a seasoned man but with the best of his work yet before him as the record will readily show. When he came in 1908 this congregation of some 450 members was the only Presbyterian Church in Wake County, and that after almost a hundred years of Presbyterian occupation. When he died twenty-six years later, there were nine organized Presbyterian Churches in the County, each with its own house of worship and all together with above 2,200 members. Others rendered notable service but Dr. White was the moving spirit in all this great expansion program.

In 1908 very soon after this pastorate began an "Association for Christian Work in Wake County" was begun among the members of this Church and it has helped support such work down to the present time. In that same year Dr. White secured the summer services of Mr. William B. McIlwaine, Jr., a student in Union Seminary, to survey the religious conditions in various parts of Wake County. Other young men followed him in summer work until 1911 when Mr.

J. Edwin Hemphill, recently graduated from the Seminary, was ordained and installed Assistant Pastor of this Church to give full time out in the county. On November 1, 1914, Mr.

B. R. Lacy, Jr., was ordained and installed Assistant Pastor of this Church with his work in lower Wake County. In 1916 Mr. Edward S. Currie came from Union Seminary to be the second Assistant Pastor with his work inside the city of Raleigh. And thus, Dr. White built churches assisted by these young men, by members of the congregation, the society for Christian Work, and notably by the Vanguard Bible Class under the able leadership of Mr. E. B. Crow. The visible results of Dr. White's expansion program outside this



Religious Education Building Erected 1924

Church can now be seen in the following splendid organizations:

The South Wake County Field—Varina, Fellowship, Mt. Pleasant, and Willow Springs Churches with a modern Manse and Rev. J. Cecil Lawrence as Pastor.

The First Vanguard Church—with a modern plant, a Manse, the Buffalo Vanguard Chapel as a mission, and Rev. J. F. Menius as Pastor.

The North Vanguard Church—with a good building, a Manse, the Neuse Chapel as a mission and Rev. Leslie Thompson as Pastor.

The West Raleigh Church—with its own building and modern Manse, plans for a new Sanetuary and Rev. John H. Grey, Jr., Ph.D., as Pastor.

The Ernest Myatt Church—with a Community Building adjoining, supplied by the Pastor of the First Church and strengthened by the long service of Dr. John B. Wright.

Very much of what is listed above has been done without the help of this Church, but all of it has come about as the result of Dr. White's encouragement and leadership here. He was a Home Mission Statesman without a peer in his day. Moreover, through all this work of expansion he was pastor of a growing congregation, a leader in Synod and Presbytery, and the friendly helper of more poor people than any other single person in the county. During these years Rev. Edward S. Currie volunteered for Foreign Mission Service and went out in 1919 to Haichow, China, where half of his support has been provided since by this Church.

By the middle of Dr. White's pastorate the membership of the Church had grown until the old Sunday school equipment was wholly inadequate to meet the needs. After long and eareful planning the congregation proceeded in 1924 to the erection of the present Education Building, at a total cost of over \$100,000. This modern structure provided space for all departments of the Church School, except the Young People, who use the annex formerly occupied by the entire school. In addition, the new building has in it the Church offices, a splendid chapel, and a large dining room and kitchen.

Dr. White moved from the old Manse in 1929 and bought a home at the corner of Fairview and St. Mary's streets. He was graciously spared to lead this congregation through the darkest days of economic distress at the beginning of the last decade, until on February 22, 1934, God called the great man home.



INTERIOR VIEW OF PRESENT CHURCH

The Last Decade



Rev. P. D. Miller, D.D. 1934—

The past ten years, covering the last of Dr. White's pastorate and the time since, has been a period of consolidation and strengthening of the lines thrown out during the previous years of rapid expansion.

The old Manse was removed during this period and in 1931 the property was placed under a long lease for business purposes. In 1935 a beautifully located building lot on Caswell Road in Hayes Barton was presented to the Church by Mr. Fred F. Harding, a Ruling Elder, upon condition that the congregation should proceed at once to crect a new and suitable Manse. His generous gift was gratefully accepted and in 1936 the present home for the Minister was built. This property is free of debt and there is no reason why it should not adequately serve its purpose for many years to come.

The year 1935 marked also the largest single gift ever made in Raleigh for the work of the Presbyterian denomi-

nation. At that time Mr. H. Milner, a former member of this congregation and now a Ruling Elder in the First Vanguard Church, created a trust to be known as the Presbyterian Fund, Inc., and placed in it approximately \$125,000 in income bearing property. Every dollar this Fund earns goes to missionary and benevolent work and Mr. Milner paid us a high

tribute in providing that its direction should always be in the hands of Officers of this Church. No income from this Fund can be used by, or eredited to, the First Church. This gift has greatly strengthened the work of Presbyterianism in Raleigh by providing needed support for its present mission work and also making possible other types of activity. The first new venture came with the Fund's calling Mrs. B. H. Bunch from her work in the First Church to become City Missionary giving the most of her time to work among women and children not identified with



THE PRESENT MANSE, 1531 CASWILL STREET Erected 1936

any Church. What this gift has already done is a record known only to God, and it is now just begun. Mr. Milner and the other Trustees hope that through the years others may be led to add to this Fund and so enlarge its usefulness.

During the winter of 1937-38 this Congregation began making serious moves to pay off all debts that had been carried over from the period of expansion or incurred through building the new Manse. In 1938, encouraged by a generous gift from Mr. H. H. Milner, the \$7,000 unpaid balance on the mortgage on the First Vanguard Church was paid off through efforts of the Vanguard Bible Class, and that valuable property freed of all debt. In 1939 the balance on the \$8,000 mortgage upon the Manse was paid and that property freed of all debt. Since April 1, 1939, the balance of \$19,000 on the original \$55,000 mortgage upon the Sunday School Building has been paid and this property is free of debt. During the same years it has been necessary to spend above \$5,000 on repairs and painting to put the entire plant in good condition. At the same time the Congregation has given \$6,000 to the Ministers' Annuity Fund and steadily increased its gifts to benevolences from the necessarily low point of depression years.

In this period our Church has continued her effort to strengthen Presbyterianism in Wake County. This has been done through the Vanguard Bible Class and individual members who have assisted the North Vanguard Church in finishing its building and in earrying payments on a Manse, the Mt. Pleasant Church in erecting a splendid new building, the West Raleigh Church in expanding its Sunday school facilities, and the South Wake County Field in building a modern Manse at Varina. Since 1930 the First Church has had a net gain of 30 per cent, while the combined membership of all our Presbyterian Churches in Wake County has increased by 42 per cent. This is a wholesome growth but not more than should be expected in the future if the present population trend of this area continues.

PEACE JUNIOR COLLEGE

In the year 1857 William Peace, an Elder in this Church, made an initial gift of \$10,000 toward the founding of a high grade Presbyterian School for girls in Raleigh. In addition he gave the site where the school is now located and the institution was named in his honor. The school was opened as Peace Institute and operated under this familiar title until 1930 when the name was changed. Peace is controlled by the Presbyter-



PEACE JUNIOR COLLEGE



INTERIOR VIEW OF VANGUARD ROOM

ians of North Carolina through a Board of Trustees consisting of two members each from the Presbyteries of Albemarle, Granville, Kings Mountain, Orange, and Wilmington, and seven members appointed by the First Presbyterian Church of Raleigh. It will thus be seen how closely related has been the life of Peace and this Church, how vital an interest we have in its welfare, and how large a share of resposibility we have for its support. Faculty and students are welcome members of our congreation through the school year. Many of them are members of and faithful workers in our Church. No account of the history of this Congregation would be complete which did not give recognition to the large part Peace College has played in our development and the permanent place it holds in the affection of our people.

We rejoice that the One Hundred and Twenty-fifth Anniversary finds the old Church free of all hindering debt and ready to face the opportunities of the future with a devoted and generous membership led by a loyal group of Officers. The Raleigh of 1941 with above 46,000 souls presents a vastly greater challenge than did the village of 1816 with approximately 1,000. Our fathers of that day accepted the challenge; let us pray God for courage, guidance, and grace to follow in their train.

Surely as we look backward today upon these years of history here it can be truthfully and gratefully said in the words of Scripture, "Hitherto hath the Lord helped us." And in the words of the old hymn we sing, each in his own heart:

"Here I raise my Ebenezer,
Hither by Thy help I'm come;
And I hope, by Thy good pleasure,
Safely to arrive at home."



REV. J. CECIL LAWRENCE County Pastor



Rev. Edward S. Currie Foreign Missionary



Miss Elizabeth Griffy Church Secretary

Growth of Church and Community

There is presented below a table designed to show the growth of the First Presbyterian Church and the City of Raleigh by decades. It begins with 1830 because we do not have complete records for the earlier years. The column showing gifts represents the total contributions for all purposes in the ten-year period ending with the date shown.

The	Church	Population	Total Gifts
Year	Membership	of $Raleigh$	By Decades
1830	21	1,700	\$ 1,042.18
1840	48	2,244	1,717.36
1850	91	4,518	4,419.00
1860	118	4,780	$15,\!509.00$
1870	150	7,790	13,553.00
1880	235	9,265	28,875.00
1890	313	12,678	35,982.00
1900	412	13,643	58,158.00
1910	484	19,218	78,343.00
1920	687	24,418	$189,\!436.00$
1930	1,048	37,379	527,089.00
1940	1,370	46,640	308,041.00

Pastors of the Church

With Dates of their Ministry

Rev. William McPheeters, D.D1816-1830	Rev. C. R. Vaughn, D.D 1875-1878
Rev. Thos. P. Hunt	Rev. J. S. Watkins, D.D1878-1892
Rev. W. H. Harding	Rev. Eugene Daniel, D.D
Rev. Mr. Athorpe	Rev. William E. Cave, D.D (Called but did not serve because of ill health)
Rev. Michael Osborn1833-1836	Rev. Alfred H. Moment, D.D1903-1907
Rev. Drury Lacy, D.D	Rev. William McC. White, D.D1908-1934
Rev. J. M. Atkinson, D.D	Rev. P. D. Miller, D.D1934-

Elders of the Church

With Date of Installation

1816—William Shaw
1816—Thomas Emonds
1816—William Peace
1816—John Smith
1831—Henry Potter
1831—Henry D. Turner
1831—Charles Dewey
1831—J. M. Towles
1831—Jesse Brown
1867—W. C. Kerr
1867—Richard W. Taylor
1867—W. H. Crow
1869—Leopold E. Heartt
1869—H. M. McPheeters
1876—William S. Primrose
1876—John B. Burwell
1883—E. G. Reade
1883—S. W. Whiting
1886—E. R. Stamps
1886—B. R. Harding

1886—Leo D. Heartt 1888—Albrecht Baumann 1891—C. P. Wharton 1891—James Dinwiddie 1891—Julius Lewis 1896-J. M. Monie 1896—D. H. Hill 1904—Herbert W. Jackson 1904—George Allen 1904-Leo D. Heartt 1904—Thomas B. Womack 1908—Robert B. Glenn 1908—Franklin McNeill 1908-James R. Young 1914-E. B. Crow 1914-Thos. P. Harrison 1914—Henry Stockard 1914—W. A. Withers 1914—Benjamin R. Lacy 1914—George J. Ramsey

1918—O. P. Hay 1918—B. W. Kilgore 1919—W. S. Fallis 1919—John B. Wright 1927—James C. Allison 1927—Karl G. Hudson 1927—R. W. Dunn 1927—Wm. C. Pressly 1935—Fred F. Harding 1935—David I. Fort 1935—J. W. Kellogg 1935—R. Y. McPherson 1935—F. H. Jeter 1935—A. C. Kimrey 1935—E. I. Wood 1939—William Horne 1939—John Pasco 1939—A. A. F. Seawell 1939—Raymond A. Snow

Deacons of the Church

With Date of Installation

1859-Leopold E. Heartt 1859—R. E. Maddox 1859—E. C. Calburn 1869—Win. S. Primrose 1869—J. M. Towles 1868-John D. Primrose 1868—Wm. C. Stronach 1868—John B. Burwell 1868—Julius Lewis 1876—Leo D. Heartt 1876—S. W. Whiting 1876—E. R. Stamps 1876-B. R. Harding 1886-John M. Sherwood 1886—George C. Jordan 1886—Walter D. Hay 1888-D. S. Hudgins 1888—Wm. A. Withers 1888—Herbert W. Jackson 1889—Wm. L. Hill 1889—C. P. Wharton 1891—D. H. Hill 1891—Geo. W. Thompson 1893—J. W. Thackston 1893—C. G. Whiting 1893—J. M. Monie 1897—Geo. Allen 1897—B. W. Kilgore 1897—W. T. Harding 1897—E. B. Crow

1897—Chas. D. Wildes

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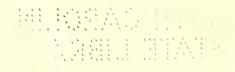
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